

Senate on November 13, 2012, at 3 p.m., to hold a hearing entitled, "National Security Brief on Attacks in Benghazi".

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. REID. Mr. President, on behalf of Senator LEAHY, I ask unanimous consent that Michelle Lacko, a fellow on the Senate Judiciary Committee, be granted privileges of the floor.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTION ENHANCEMENT ACT OF 2012

Mr. UDALL of Colorado. Mr. President, I ask that the Chair lay before the Senate a message from the House of Representatives on S. 743.

The Presiding Officer laid before the Senate the following message from the House of Representatives:

Resolved, That the bill from the Senate, S. 743, entitled "An Act to amend chapter 23 of title 5, United States Code, to clarify the disclosures of information protected from prohibited personnel practices; to require a statement in nondisclosure policies, forms, and agreements that such policies, forms, and agreements conform with certain disclosure protections; to provide certain authority for the Special Counsel; and for other purposes," do pass with an amendment.

Mr. UDALL of Colorado. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate concur in the House amendment, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate, and that any statements relating to the matter be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

REGARDING THE EFFORTS OF RAYMOND WEEKS IN THE ES- TABLISHMENT OF VETERANS DAY

Mr. UDALL of Colorado. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 591, which was submitted earlier today.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 591) expressing the sense of the Senate regarding Raymond Weeks and his efforts in the establishment of Veterans Day.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. UDALL of Colorado. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 591) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 591

(Expressing the sense of the Senate regarding Raymond Weeks and his efforts in the establishment of Veterans Day)

Whereas November 11, 2012, is the 65th anniversary of National Veterans Day in Birmingham, Alabama;

Whereas the National Veterans Day in Birmingham is the longest running celebration of Veterans Day in the Nation;

Whereas, on November 11, 1946, World War II veteran Raymond Weeks presented General Eisenhower a program design proposing to replace Armistice Day with a National Veterans Day in 1947;

Whereas the very first Veterans Day celebration was held in Birmingham by the National Veterans Day Organization in 1947;

Whereas President Eisenhower signed into law on June 1, 1954, the Act proclaiming November 11 as Veterans Day (Public Law 380; 83rd Congress);

Whereas in 1954, the National Veterans Day Volunteer Organization, started by Raymond Weeks, expanded to organize a multi-day celebration including, but not limited to, a Veterans Day Parade, a World Peace Luncheon, and presentation during the National Veterans Award Dinner of the National Veterans Award;

Whereas these three events have been held every year since 1954;

Whereas the briefing for President Reagan by Elizabeth Dole for the Presidential Citizens Medals cited Raymond Weeks as the "Father of Veterans Day";

Whereas President Reagan recognized Raymond Weeks as the driving force behind Veterans Day while presenting Raymond Weeks with the Presidential Citizens Medal on November 11, 1982;

Whereas Raymond Weeks should be recognized for his push to honor the great men and women who have served their country with a special day of recognition; and

Whereas Birmingham, Alabama, should be recognized for its contributions to the institution of Veterans Day: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) recognizes Birmingham, Alabama, as the home to the first and longest running celebration of Veterans Day;

(2) recognizes Raymond Weeks for his pioneering efforts in the establishment of Veterans Day; and

(3) honors the sacrifices of, and pays tribute to, the men and women of the United States in uniform who risk life and limb for their country at home and overseas.

ORDERS FOR WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2012

Mr. UDALL of Colorado. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 2:30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 14, 2012; that following the prayer and the pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day; that the majority leader be recognized, and that the first hour be equally divided and controlled between the two leaders or their designees, with the

majority controlling the first half and the Republicans controlling the final half; and the filing deadline for first-degree amendments to S. 3525 be 4 p.m. Wednesday.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PROGRAM

Mr. UDALL of Colorado. Mr. President, earlier today, cloture was filed on S. 3525, the Sportsmen's Act. Under the rule, the cloture vote will occur on Thursday morning.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 2:30 P.M. TOMORROW

Mr. UDALL of Colorado. If there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent it adjourn under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 6:55 p.m., adjourned until Wednesday, November 14, 2012, at 2:30 p.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

FOREIGN SERVICE

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED CAREER MEMBERS OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE FOR PROMOTION INTO AND WITHIN THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE TO THE CLASSES INDICATED:

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JOHN S. CREAMER, OF VIRGINIA
JEFFREY DELAURENTIS, OF NEW YORK
LAURA FARNSWORTH DOGU, OF TEXAS
WALTER DOUGLAS, OF NEVADA
CATHERINE I. EBERT GRAY, OF COLORADO
SUSAN MARSH ELLIOTT, OF FLORIDA
THOMAS SCOTT ENGLE, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
MARILYN CLAIRE FERDINAND, OF VIRGINIA
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DANIEL EDWARD GODSPEED, OF VIRGINIA
WILLIAM S. GREEN, OF OHIO
JERI S. GUTHRIE-CORN, OF CALIFORNIA
MICHAEL A. HAMMER, OF MARYLAND
D. BRENT HARDT, OF FLORIDA
ROBERT A. HARTUNG, OF VIRGINIA
WILLIAM A. HEIDT, OF CALIFORNIA
JAMES WILLIAM HERMAN, OF WASHINGTON
THOMAS MARK HODGES, OF TENNESSEE
MARTIN P. HOHE, OF FLORIDA
CHARLES F. HUNTER, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
MARK J. HUNTER, OF FLORIDA
DONALD EMIL JACOBSON, OF VIRGINIA
KELLY ANN KEDERLING FRANZ, OF CALIFORNIA
SUNG Y. KIM, OF CALIFORNIA
JOHN CHARLES LAW, OF VIRGINIA
RUSSELL G. LE CLAIR, JR., OF ILLINOIS
MARY BETH LEONARD, OF MASSACHUSETTS
DONALD LU, OF CALIFORNIA
LEWIS ALAN LUKENS, OF VIRGINIA
DEBORAH RUTH MALAC, OF VIRGINIA
WILLIAM JOHN MARTIN, OF CALIFORNIA
ROBIN HILL MATTHEWMAN, OF WASHINGTON
ELIZABETH KAY WEBB MAYFIELD, OF TEXAS
JAMES P. MCANULTY, OF VIRGINIA
THOMAS S. MILLER, OF MINNESOTA
BARRY M. MOORE, OF TEXAS
MICHAEL CHASE MULLINS, OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
JOHN OLSON, OF CALIFORNIA
THEODORE G. OSIUS, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
ROBERT GLENN RAPSON, OF NEW HAMPSHIRE